



In the Matter of The Village Greens,  
Waddingham, Lincolnshire

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as The Village Greens, Waddingham, being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No. VG 2 in the Register of Town or Village Greens maintained by the Lincolnshire County Council of which no person is registered under section 4 of the Commons Registration Act 1965 as the owner.

Following upon the public notice of this reference the Waddingham Parish Council claimed to be the freehold owner of the land in question and no other person claimed to have information as to its ownership.

I held a hearing for the purpose of inquiring into the question of the ownership of the land at Lincoln on 7 July 1981.

At the hearing the Waddingham Parish Council was represented by Mr S Milton, its Clerk.

The land the subject of the reference consists of five separate areas, three of them being very small. It appears from the minutes of the Parish Council that the Council has been in uninterrupted possession of land known as the Village Green ever since it was formed on the coming into operation of the Local Government Act 1894. It would seem, however, that these minutes referred to the two largest areas.

I am satisfied that the Parish Council is the owner of the two largest areas. I shall accordingly direct the Lincolnshire County Council, as registration authority, to register the Parish Council as the owner of those areas under section 8(2) of the Act of 1965. I am, however, not satisfied that any person is the owner of the three small areas, and I shall accordingly direct the County Council to register the Parish Council as the owner of those areas under section 8(3) of the Act of 1965.

I am required by regulation 30(1) of the Commons Commissioners Regulations 1971 to explain that a person aggrieved by this decision as being erroneous in point of law may, within 6 weeks from the date on which notice of the decision is sent to him, require me to state a case for the decision of the High Court.

Dated this

17th

day of

July

1981

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Chief Commons Commissioner